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C O N F I D E N T I A L GABORONE 2213

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PORG WA BC
SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: FOOTNOTE ON LUANDA MEETING

1. SUMMARY: FOLLOWING IS BACKGROUND ON GOB VIEW
OF EVENTS SURROUNDING LUANDA MEETING JULY 10-12
ON NAMIBIA. IT IS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD AND
AS POSSIBLE GUIDANCE IN THE FUTURE. END SUMMARY.

2. VICE PRESIDENT Q.K.J. MASIRE REVIEWED GOB
EFFORTS TO ARRANGE REPRESENTATION AT LUANDA
MEETING JULY 10-12 ON NAMIBIA. MASIRE HAD
PERSONALLY BEEN IN EUROPE ON MISSION TO PROMOTE
BEEF EXPORTS. WHILE IN LONDON, HE HAD MEETING
WITH MINEXTAFF MOGWE AND DISCUSSED QUESTION OF
GOB REPRESENTATION AT LUANDA. MASIRE TOLD ME
THEY HAD DECIDED IN PRINCIPLE THAT MOGWE
COULD BE RELEASED TO GO TO LUANDA BUT ONLY IF
INVITATION CAME FROM PRESIDENT NYERERE, AS
CHAIRMAN OF FRONTLINE, OR THROUGH TANGOV.
SUCH AN INVITATION NEVER ARRIVED, A POINT
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CONFIRMED BY MASIRE TELEPHONE CALL FROM LONDON
TO PRESIDENT'S OFFICE HERE.

3. MASIRE SAID GOB BELIEVED IT WOULD HAVE BEEN
INAPPROPRIATE TO SEND MOGWE ON THE BASIS OF UK
OR US NOTIFICATION THAT FL REPS WERE INVITED.
IN HIS WORDS, "IT WOULD HAVE IMPAIRE OUR

OBJECTIVITY AND LOOKED AS THOUGH WE
WERE BEING BROUGHT IN TO LOBBY FOR ONE SIDE".
HE SAID THE SAME CONSIDERATION ACCOUNTED FOR
GOB LACK OF INTEREST IN JOINING CHARTER FLIGHT
BRINGING SWAPO INTERNAL REPS FROM WINDHOEK TO
LUSAKA JULY 9. TO ARRIVE WITH SWAPO REPS COULD
BE MISINTERPRETED AS INDICATING GOB DEL WAS
PART OF SWAPO'S ENTOURAGE. IN BRIEF, GOB IS
DETERMINED TO MAINTAIN ITS INDEPENDENCE OF
ATTITUDE AND ACTION AND WILL AVOID EVEN
APPEARANCES THAT MIGHT COMPROMISE THAT
INDEPENDENCE.
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